(b) whether it is a fact that the CBI has located the officer who had escaped military custody near Cuddapah railway station while being brought from Madras to Ahmednagar, for trial by a General Court Martial;

(c) if so, whether the CBI is awaiting the army to finish the Court Martial; if not, whether CBI would take up the case with the army's assent; and

(d) what steps Government propose to take to tackle this matter of serious concern which involves a very high ranking Army official for insider trading, abetting, smuggling and supplying substandard provisions at high rates to the IPKF in Sri Lanka?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI LALIT VIJAY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No Sir. The accused was arrested by the Andhra Pradesh Police.

(c) and (d) A General Court Martial is now time-barred under the provisions of the Army Act. However, all possible steps are being taken by the CBI to investigate the case. The Army authorities are extending their fullest cooperation in the on-going investigation.

Meeting of Inter-State Council

512. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a meeting of the Inter-State Council took place at New Delhi on 10th October, 1990:

(b) if so, the details of the participants;

(c) whether it was convened to discuss the Centre-State relations in the light of the recommendations made by the Sarkaria Commission;

(d) if so, what were the main topics that were discussed at the meeting; and

(e) decisions taken at this meeting?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A list of participants is enclosed as statement. (*See* below)

(c) Discussion on the report of the Sarkaria Commission on Centre-State relations, was one of the items on the Agenda.

(d) In the meeting the report of the Sarkaira Commission on Centre-State relations **was taken up for discussion** and the members were requested to give their views on the commission's recommendations.

(e) It was decided that a Sub-Committee of the Inter-State Council may be constituted to examine the recommendations of the Sarkaria Commission on Centre-State relations and give its concrete suggestions thereon and to consider wider aspects of Central State relations.

Statement

1st Meeting of the Inter-State Council held on 10.10.1990 at New Delhi

List of Members present/attended the meeting

1. Shri V. P. Singh *Chairman*
   The Prime Minister
2. Prof Madhu Dandavate
   Minister of Finance
3. Shri Mufti Mohammed Sayeed
   Minister of Home Affairs
4. Shri Ajit Singh
   Minister of Industry
5. Shri I. K. Gujral
   Minister of External Affairs
6. Shri P. Upendra
   Minister of Information & Broadcasting and Parliamentary Affairs

Shri Subodh Kant Sahay, Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs, and Shri Anil Shastri, Dy. Minister in the Ministry of Finance also attended the meeting.

List of Chief Ministers (or their representations) attending the first Inter State Council meeting being held on 10.10.1990

1. Shri R. K. Khrimey, Minister (Finance), Arunachal Pradesh.
2. Shri Lalu Prasad, Chief Minister, Bihar
3. Dr. Luis Proto Barbosa, Chief Minister, Goa.
4. Shri Chimanbhai Patel, Chief Minister, Gujarat.
5. Shri Hukum Singh, Chief Minister, Haryana.
6. Shri Jagdev Chand, Minister, P.W.D. Himachal Pradesh.
7. Shri G. C. Saxena, Governor, Jammu & Kashmir.
8. Shri E. K. Nayanar, Chief Minister, Kerala.
9. Shri Sunder Lal Patwa, Chief Minister, Madhya Pradesh.
10. Shri Sharad Pawar, Chief Minister, Maharashtra.
11. Shri R. K. Ranbir Singh, Chief Minister, Manipur.
12. Shri B. B. Lyngdoh, Chief Minister, Meghalaya.
13. Shri J. Lalsangzuala, Finance Minister, Mizoram.
14. Shri Vamuzo, Chief Minister, Nagaland.
15. Shri Biju Patnaik, Chief Minister, Orissa.
16. Shri Virendra Verma, Governor, Punjab.
17. Shri Bhairon Singh Shekhawat, Chief Minister, Rajasthan.
18. Shri P. B. Gurung, Minister for Agriculture, Irrigation & Co.op. Sikkim.
19. Shri S. R. Majumdar, Chief Minister, Tripura.
20. Shri M. Karunanidhi, Chief Minister, Tamil Nadu.
21. Shri Mulayam Singh Yadav, Chief Minister, Uttar Pradesh.
22. Shri Jyoti Basu, Chief Minister West Bengal.
23. Air Chief Marshal (Retd.) Shri Arjan Singh, : Lt. Governor of Delhi.
24. Shri D. Ramachandran, Chief Minister, Pondicherry.
25. Shri Khurshed Alam Khan, Governor of Goa & Administrator of U.T. of Daman and Diu & Dadra & Nagar Haveli.
26. Lt. General R. S. Dayal, Lt. Governor, Andaman & Nicobar.

National Integration Council on Babri issue

513. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Integration Council has left the Babri issue to the verdict of the Court; and

(b) if so, whether Government would ensure that the Court's verdict on this